Foodgrains allocated under Food for Work Programme to Rajasthan

205. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of foodgrains allocated to the State of Rajasthan under Food for Work Programme during the last two years, year-wise;

(b) whether any special quota of foodgrains has been sanctioned by the Centre for Rajasthan keeping in view acute drought conditions in the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) The quantity of foodgrains allocated to the State of Rajasthan under the Food for Work Programme (FFWP), during the last two years is given as under

YEAR	QUANTITY OF FOODGRAINS (in metric tonnes)
2000-2001	1,18,145
2001-2002	6,21,360

(b) and (c) 2 lakh tonnes of foodgrains (wheat) have been released under the Special Component of the SGRY during the current year in view of the acute drought condition in the State.

Grants for development of handicrafts in Assam

, 206. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amount granted to the State of Assam for promotion and development of handicrafts in the State of Assam during the last three years;

(b) whether any effective scheme has been chalked out for the State in this regard; and